

ABOLITION OF POSITIONS IN OFFICES OF SENATE
MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80, provided in part: "That the positions established by the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1970 [Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 338], for the Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders [of the Senate] are abolished effective April 1, 1977." The positions referred to were enumerated in Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 339, classified to former section 61h-1 of this title, which authorized the respective leaders to appoint an administrative assistant, a legislative assistant, an executive secretary, and a clerical assistant in lieu of the positions authorized prior thereto by Senate Resolution 158, agreed to Dec. 9, 1941, Pub. L. 86-30, approved May 20, 1959, and Senate Resolution 240, agreed to Jan. 24, 1952. See section 61h-4 of this title.

§§ 61h-2, 61h-3. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 61h-2, Pub. L. 94-59, title I, § 105, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 275, set a maximum annual rate of compensation of \$36,500 for legislative assistants in Offices of Senate Majority and Minority Leaders. Positions established by Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1970, for Offices of Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, which Act, Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 339, classified to former section 61h-1 of this title, authorized the respective leaders to appoint a legislative assistant, were abolished, see Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80, set out as a note under section 61h-1 of this title. See, also, section 61h-4 of this title.

Section 61h-3, Pub. L. 94-59, title I, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 269, authorized Senate Majority and Minority Leaders to appoint and fix compensation of an executive secretary and a clerical assistant effective July 1, 1975. Positions established by Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1970, for Offices of Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, which Act, Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 339, classified to former section 61h-1 of this title, authorized the respective leaders to appoint an executive secretary, and a clerical assistant, were abolished, see Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80, set out as a note under section 61h-1 of this title. See, also, section 61h-4 of this title.

§ 61h-4. Appointment of employees by Senate Majority and Minority Leaders; compensation

Effective April 1, 1977, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader are each authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of such employees as they deem appropriate: *Provided*, That the gross compensation paid to such employees shall not exceed \$191,700 each fiscal year for each Leader.

(Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977.

INCREASES IN COMPENSATION

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-656), see Salary Directives of President pro tempore of the Senate, set out as notes under section 60a-1 of this title.

§ 61h-5. Assistants to Senate Majority and Minority Leaders for Floor Operations; establishment of positions; appointment; compensation

Effective October 1, 1983, there is established within the Offices of the Majority and Minority

Leaders the positions of Assistant to the Majority Leader for Floor Operations and Assistant to the Minority Leader for Floor Operations, respectively. Individuals appointed to such positions by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader, respectively, shall receive compensation at a rate fixed by the appropriate Leader not to exceed the maximum annual rate of gross compensation of the Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 98-51, title I, § 101(a), July 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 265.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1984, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1984.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 61h-5, Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80, authorizing the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader to appoint, respectively, an Assistant to the Majority Leader for Floor Operations and an Assistant to the Minority Leader for Floor Operations, was omitted in view of section 101(b) of Pub. L. 98-51, which provided that: "Effective October 1, 1983, the positions of Assistant to the Majority Leader for Floor Operations and Assistant to the Minority Leader for Floor Operations established by the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 61h-5), are abolished."

INCREASES IN COMPENSATION

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-656), see Salary Directives of President pro tempore of the Senate, set out as notes under section 60a-1 of this title.

§ 61h-6. Appointment of consultants by Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Secretary of Senate, and Legislative Counsel of Senate; compensation

(a) In general

The Majority Leader and the Minority Leader, are each authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of not more than eight individual consultants, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate. The President pro tempore of the Senate is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of not more than two individual consultants, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this subsection. The President pro tempore emeritus of the Senate is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of one individual consultant, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this subsection. The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of not more than two individual consultants, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate. The Legislative Counsel of the Senate (subject to the approval of the President pro tem-

pore) is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of not more than two consultants, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this section. The provisions of sections 8344 and 8468 of title 5 shall not apply to any individual serving in a position under this authority. Expenditures under this authority shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the President pro tempore, President pro tempore emeritus, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Secretary of the Senate, or Legislative Counsel of the Senate, as the case may be.

(b) Annual compensation

Any or all appointments under this section may be at an annual rate of compensation rather than at a daily rate of compensation, but such annual rate shall not be in excess of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate.

(C)¹ Title of position

Each appointing authority under subsection (a) of this section may designate the title of the position of any individual appointed under that subsection.

(Pub. L. 95-26, title I, §101, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 82; Pub. L. 95-94, title I, §110(a), Aug. 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 662; Pub. L. 100-458, title I, §§4, 9, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2161, 2162; Pub. L. 101-302, title III, §314(a), May 25, 1990, 104 Stat. 245; Pub. L. 102-90, title I, §3, Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 450; Pub. L. 104-2, Feb. 9, 1995, 109 Stat. 45; Pub. L. 105-275, title I, §4(a), (b), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2433; Pub. L. 107-20, title II, §2803, July 24, 2001, 115 Stat. 185; Pub. L. 107-68, title I, §101(a), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 563; Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, §6(a), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 350.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-7, §6(a)(1), substituted “eight individual consultants” for “six individual consultants” in first sentence.

Subsec. (C). Pub. L. 108-7, §6(a)(2), added subsec. (C). 2001—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-68 substituted “six individual consultants” for “four individual consultants” in first sentence and “not more than two individual consultants” for “one consultant” in second sentence.

Pub. L. 107-20 inserted “The President pro tempore emeritus of the Senate is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of one individual consultant, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this subsection.” after second sentence and “President pro tempore emeritus,” after “President pro tempore,” in last sentence.

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-275, §4(a), inserted after first sentence “The President pro tempore of the Senate is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of one consultant, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this subsection.” and in penultimate sentence substituted “sections 8344 and 8468” for “section 8344”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-275, §4(b), substituted “Any or all appointments under this section may be” for “The

Majority Leader, and the Minority Leader, in appointing individuals to consultant positions under authority of this section, may appoint one such individual to such position”.

1995—Pub. L. 104-2, which directed the general amendment of section 61h-6 of title 2, was executed by amending section 101 of Pub. L. 95-26, which is classified to section 61h-6 of title 2, to reflect the probable intent of Congress, in subsec. (a) striking out provisions regarding appointment of two consultants at daily rate of compensation by President pro tempore of Senate and increasing number of appointments by Majority Leader of Senate from two to four consultants at daily rate of compensation, and in subsec. (b) striking out provisions regarding appointment of one consultant at an annual rate of compensation by President pro tempore of Senate.

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-90 which directed the insertion of “The Legislative Counsel of the Senate (subject to the approval of the President pro tempore) is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of not more than 2 consultants, on a temporary or intermittent basis, at a daily rate of compensation not in excess of that specified in the first sentence of this section.” immediately after the second sentence of this section and which directed the substitution of “, Secretary of the Senate, or Legislative Counsel of the Senate, as the case may be” for “and the Secretary of the Senate, respectively” in the last sentence of this section, was executed by making the insertion and the substitution for “and Secretary of the Senate, respectively”, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1990—Pub. L. 101-302 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

1988—Pub. L. 100-458 provided for appointment, compensation, and voucher approval of two consultants by President pro tempore of Senate and increased the number of appointments by Minority Leader of Senate from two to four individuals.

1977—Pub. L. 95-94 inserted two references to Secretary of Senate.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, §6(b), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 350, provided that: “This section [amending this section] shall apply to fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2001 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 107-68, title I, §101(b), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 563, provided that: “This section [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-275, title I, §4(c), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2433, provided that: “This section [amending this section] is effective on and after the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 21, 1998].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Section 314(b) of Pub. L. 101-302 provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall be effective in the case of appointments made after the date of enactment of this Act [May 25, 1990].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Section 110(b) of Pub. L. 95-94 provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on August 1, 1977.”

CONSULTANTS

Pub. L. 109-55, title I, §2, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 568, provided that: “With respect to fiscal year 2006, the first sentence of section 101(a) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 61h-6(a)) shall be applied by substituting ‘nine individual consultants’ for ‘eight individual consultants’.”

¹ So in original. Probably should be “(c)”.

Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation act:

Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, §2, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3169.

Pub. L. 108-83, title I, §6, Sept. 30, 2003, 117 Stat. 1013.

§ 611h-7. Chiefs of Staff for Senate Majority and Minority Leaders; appointment; compensation

(a) There is established within the Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders the positions of Chief of Staff for the Majority Leader and Chief of Staff for the Minority Leader, respectively. Individuals appointed to such positions by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader, respectively, shall receive compensation at a rate fixed by the appropriate Leader not to exceed the maximum annual rate of gross compensation of the Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

(b) Gross compensation for employees filling positions established by subsection (a) of this section for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1987, shall be paid out of any funds available in the Senate appropriation for such year under the item "Salaries, Officers and Employees".

(Pub. L. 101-163, title I, §9, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1046.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on Senate Resolution No. 89, One Hundredth Congress, Jan. 28, 1987, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 101-163.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 9 of Pub. L. 101-163 provided that this section is effective on Jan. 28, 1987, the date on which Senate Resolution No. 89, One Hundredth Congress, was agreed to.

§§ 61i to 61j-1. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 61i, Pub. L. 86-30, title I, May 20, 1959, 73 Stat. 48, which was from the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1959, authorized Senate Majority and Minority Leaders to fix, effective May 1, 1959, basic salaries of research assistants authorized by S. Res. 158, agreed to Dec. 9, 1941, at not to exceed \$8,820 per annum. See section 61h-4 of this title.

Section 61j, Pub. L. 93-371, §4, Aug. 13, 1974, 88 Stat. 429; Pub. L. 94-59, title I, §105, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 275, set a maximum annual rate of compensation of \$37,000 for administrative assistants in offices of Senate Majority and Minority Whips. Positions established by Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1970, for Offices of Senate Majority and Minority Whips, which Act, Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 339, classified to former section 61j of this title, authorized the respective whips to appoint an administrative assistant, were abolished, see title I of Pub. L. 95-26, set out in part as a note under section 61h-1 of this title. See, also, section 61j-2 of this title.

A prior section 61j, Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 339, authorized Senate Majority and Minority Whips to each appoint and fix compensation of an administrative assistant and an executive secretary.

Section 61j-1, Pub. L. 94-59, title I, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 270, authorized Senate Majority and Minority Whips, effective July 1, 1975, each to appoint and fix compensation of a legislative assistant. The positions established by Pub. L. 94-59 for the Offices of Majority and Minority Whips were abolished effective Apr. 1, 1977, by Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80, set out as a note under section 61h-1 of this title. See, also, section 61j-2 of this title.

§ 61j-2. Compensation and appointment of employees by Senate Majority and Minority Whips

Effective April 1, 1977, the Majority Whip and the Minority Whip are each authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of such employees as they deem appropriate: *Provided*, That the gross compensation paid to such employees shall not exceed \$111,100 each fiscal year for each Whip.

(Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977.

INCREASES IN COMPENSATION

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-656), see Salary Directives of President pro tempore of the Senate, set out as notes under section 60a-1 of this title.

§ 61k. Appointment and compensation of employees by President pro tempore of Senate

Effective October 1, 1979, the President pro tempore is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of such employees as he deems appropriate: *Provided*, That the gross compensation paid to such employees shall not exceed \$123,000 each fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 96-38, title I, §101, July 25, 1979, 93 Stat. 111.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 61k, Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 79, authorized President pro tempore of Senate to appoint and fix compensation of an Administrative Assistant, a Legislative Assistant, and an Executive Secretary. These positions were abolished effective Oct. 1, 1979, by section 101 of Pub. L. 96-38.

INCREASES IN COMPENSATION

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-656), see Salary Directives of President pro tempore of the Senate, set out as notes under section 60a-1 of this title.

§ 61l. Appointment and compensation of Administrative Assistant, Legislative Assistant, and Executive Secretary for Deputy President pro tempore of Senate

Effective April 1, 1977, the Deputy President pro tempore is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of an Administrative Assistant at not to exceed \$47,595 per annum; a Legislative Assistant at not to exceed \$40,080 per annum, and an Executive Secretary at not to exceed \$23,380 per annum.

(Pub. L. 95-26, title I, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 80.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1977.

INCREASES IN COMPENSATION

Increases in compensation for officers and employees of the Senate under authority of the Federal Pay Com-